

## **HEADQUARTERS**

MULTI-NATIONAL CORPS - IRAQ BAGHDAD, IRAQ APO AE 09342

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## GENERAL ORDER NUMBER 1 (GO-1)

TITLE: Prohibited Activities for U.S Department of Defense Personnel Assigned to the Multi-National Corps – Iraq (MNC-I) or Present Within the MNC-I Area of Responsibility (AOR).

PURPOSE: To identify conduct that is prejudicial to the maintenance of good order and discipline of all forces assigned to the MNC-I or present within the MNC-I AOR.

AUTHORITY: United States Central Command (USCENTCOM), General Order 1A (GO-1A), dated 19 Dec 00; Amendment to GO-1A, dated 9 Aug 03.

APPLICABILITY: This General Order is applicable to all United States military personnel, and to civilians serving with, employed by, or accompanying the Armed Forces of the United States, while assigned to the MNC-I or while present in the MNC-I AOR except for personnel expressly excluded under USCENTCOM GO-1A. This General Order also applies to all United States military personnel, and to civilians serving with, employed by, or accompanying the Armed Forces of the United States, while under the operational control of the Commander, MNC-I and present for duty in Kuwait or Iraq. Such duty includes but is not limited to pre-deployment site surveys, leader's recons, and advanced party deployments. This General Order is not applicable to any personnel assigned to XVIII Airborne Corps (Rear) or personnel located outside the USCENTCOM AOR.

- 1. STATEMENT OF MILITARY PURPOSE AND NECESSITY: Current operations and deployments place United States Armed Forces into areas where local laws and customs prohibit or restrict certain activities that are generally permissible in western societies. Restrictions upon these activities are essential to fostering US / host nation relations and combined operations of US and friendly forces. In addition, the high operational tempo combined with the hazardous duty faced by MNC-I soldiers and other US forces in the MNC-I AOR makes it necessary to restrict certain activities in order to maintain good order and discipline and ensure optimal readiness.
- 2. PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES: In accordance with and in addition to USCENTCOM GO-1A, the following activities are prohibited:
- a. Purchase, possession, use or sale of privately owned firearms, ammunition, explosives, or the introduction of these items into the MNC-I AOR.

- b. Entrance into a Mosque, or other site of Islamic religious significance by non-Moslems unless directed to do so by military authorities, required by military necessity, or as part of an official tour conducted with the approval of military authorities and the host nation.
- c. Introduction, possession, sale, transfer, manufacture or consumption of any alcoholic beverage within the MNC-I AOR. This restriction also prohibits the introduction, possession, sale, transfer, manufacture or consumption of any alcoholic beverage by military personnel or civilians serving with, employed by, or accompanying the Armed Forces of the United States, while assigned to or under the operational control of the Commander, MNC-I and present for duty in Kuwait or Iraq. This prohibition does not apply to personal hygiene items (like mouthwash) commercially available for sale by AAFES in the MNC-I AOR, nor does it apply to the use of alcohol for authorized religious ceremonies.
- d. Introduction, purchase, possession, use, sale, transfer, manufacture, or consumption of any controlled substances, or drug paraphernalia. Prescription drugs must be accompanied by the original prescription label of the prescribing medical facility or authority.
- e. Introduction, possession, transfer, sale, creation or display of any pornographic or sexually explicit photograph, videotapes, movie, drawing, book, magazine, or similar representations. The prohibitions contained in this subparagraph shall not apply to AFRTS broadcasts and commercial videotapes distributed and/or displayed through AAFES or MWR outlets located within the USCENTCOM AOR. This prohibition shall also not apply within the areas exclusively under the jurisdiction of the United States, such as aboard United States vessels and aircraft.
- f. Gambling of any kind, including sports pools, lotteries and raffles, unless permitted by host nation law and applicable service or component regulations.
- g. Removing, possessing, selling, defacing, or destroying archeological artifacts or national treasures.
- h. Selling, bartering, or exchanging any currency other than at the official host nation exchange rate.
- i. Adopting as pets or mascots, caring for, or feeding any type of domestic or wild animal.
  - j. Proselytizing of any religion, faith or practice.
  - k. Taking or retaining individual souvenirs or trophies, except as noted below:
- (1) Private or public property may be seized during exercises or operations only on order of the Commander, MNC-I, or his delegated representative, when based on military necessity and in accordance with the rules of engagement. Such property will be collected, processed, secured and stored for later return to the lawful owner.

- (2) Public property seized by U.S. Armed Forces is the property of the United States.
- (3) No weapon, munitions, or military article of equipment obtained or acquired by any means other than official issue may be retained for personal use or shipped out of the AOR for personal retention or control unless authorized by the Commander, MNC-I.
- (4) This prohibition does not preclude the lawful acquisition of souvenirs that can be legally imported into the United States. The following items have been approved as authorized souvenirs: helmets and head coverings; bayonets; uniforms and uniform items such as insignia and patches; canteens, compasses, rucksacks, pouches, and load bearing equipment; flags; military training manuals, books, and pamphlets; posters, placards, and photographs; or other items that clearly pose no safety or health risk, and are not otherwise prohibited by law or regulation. All acquired items are subject to the war souvenir retention process and must be approved by the appropriate reviewing officer. IAW MNC-I Frago 076 (09 Jan 05), each company commander or person in the rank of LTC/O5 or above is designated as a reviewing officer.
- I. Taking or retaining any found or seized currency for personal use. Such currency will be identified, collected, recorded, secured, and stored until it can be delivered to the appropriate authority.
  - m. Sexual contact with foreign and local nationals.
  - n. Cohabitation of males and females except for lawfully married spouses.
- 3. PUNITIVE ORDER: Paragraph 2 of this General Order is punitive. Persons subject to the UCMJ may be punished for violations of this General Order. Civilians serving with, employed by, or accompanying the Armed Forces of the United States in the MNC-I AOR may face criminal prosecution or adverse administrative action for violation of this General Order.
- 4. INDIVIDUAL DUTY: All persons, military and civilian, subject to this General Order are charged with the individual duty to become familiar with and respect the laws, regulations, and customs of their host nation insofar as they do not interfere with the execution of their official duties. Acts of disrespect or violations of host nation laws, regulations, and customs may be punished under applicable criminal statutes and administrative regulations.
- 5. UNIT COMMANDER RESPONSIBILITY: Commanders and civilian supervisors are charged with ensuring that all personnel are briefed on the prohibitions and requirements of this General Order. Commanders and supervisors are expected to exercise discretion and good judgment in enforcing this General Order. Component Commanders may further restrict their forces as they deem necessary.

- 6. CONFISCATION OF OFFENDING ARTICLES: Items determined to violate this General Order may be considered contraband and may be confiscated by command or law enforcement authorities if found under the control of MNC-I soldiers or within the MNC-I AOR. Before destruction of contraband, Commanders or law enforcement personnel will coordinate with their servicing judge advocate.
- 7. EFFECTIVE DATE: This General Order is effective immediately. Military customs and other pre-clearance officials will enforce this General Order in their inspections of personnel and equipment prior to departure to the MNC-I AOR and upon return to CONUS.
- 8. EXPIRATION: This General Order will expire when rescinded by the Commander, MNC-I or higher authority. In the event this order conflicts with any higher authority, the offending language will be stricken. However, remaining portions of the order will continue in effect.

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